Name of the Project	Date of Receipt	Present status of clearance
Polavaram	12-4-83	Under examination in the Central Water Commission & replies to several points made by the CWC are still awaited from the State Government.
Srisailam Left Bank Canal . . .	16-2-85	Do.
Vamsadhra Stage II	2-3-79 16-5-83*	Inter state aspects yet to be resolved.
Inchampally		No project report has been received as yet.

*Date of receipt of revised proposals.

It may be added that before the approval of the Planning Commission is accorded to an Irrigation Project, Central Water Commission and the various wings of Ministry of Water Resources as well as the Ministry of Environment and Forests examine the project and recommend it for clearance. None of the projects listed above has been cleared by them as yet.

Report of Indo-US Task Force on the Indian Ocean

412. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the *Times of India of* 2nd December, 1985 under the caption "Indian Ocean rivalry may lead to war"; and

(b) what action has been taken by Government on the report of the Indo-US Task Force regarding continuing instability in the Indian Ocean region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Indo-American Task Force on the Indian Ocean was a Non-Governmental group co-sponsored by the Institute of Defence Studies and Analyses from India and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace from the United States. The report of the group is a valuable compilation bringing out the common ground as well as the differences in the respective perceptions of the two sides. It has been carefully studied by Government but no specific action on its part is called for.

Recommendations made by Indian Science Congress for checking Pollution of Environment

413. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the recommendations made by the Indian Science Congress at its 73rd session held recently to the Central Government for checking degradation and pollution of environment; and

(b) what action the Central Government have taken in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) The 73rd Session of the Indian Science Congress was held in Delhi during January 3—8, 1986. For the Session, the focal theme was "Science & Technology in Environmental Management". Based on the deliberations the Association formulates recommendations for consideration by the Government. The Association has not yet forwarded their recommendations of the 73rd Session to the Government. The recommendations, when received, will be examined by the Government for appropriate action.